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AT the Court at St. *James's* the 4th Day of *May*, 1728.

PRESENT.

The King's moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

WHEREAS Information hath been given to His Majeſty at this Board, that the Iſlands of Zant and Corfu are viſited with the Plague, and that there is Reaſon to apprehend that other Places adjacent thereto are likewiſe infected: Therefore for preventing the Infection being brought by Ships coming into the Ports of this Kingdom, from any of the ſaid Places; and out of His Majeſty's tender Care for preſerving the Health of His People, His Majeſty is this Day pleaſed, with the Advice of His Privy Council, to Order, as it is hereby ordered,

That all Ships and Veſſels already arrived, and not yet unladen, and all Ships and Veſſels which ſhall hereafter arrive in any Port of this Kingdom, from the Iſlands of Zant, Corfu, Cephalonia, St. Mauro, or any Port of the Morea, do make their Quarantine for Forty Days, which ſhall be reckoned and commence from the Day each Ship or Veſſel ſhall come to anchor in the Place appointed for performing ſuch Quarantine, and not before.

That the Places for performing Quarantine by ſuch Ships and Veſſels bound to the Rivers of Thames and Medway, be Standgate Creek, on the South Shore of the River Medway, oppoſite to the Iſle of Grain; Sharpfleet Creek, and the lower End of the Hope; and by ſuch Ships and Veſſels coming into any other of the Ports of Great Britain, be ſuch Places as ſhall be appointed by the Officers of His Majeſty's Cuſtoms in ſuch Ports, who are hereby impowered and required to appoint proper Places for the ſame.

That until, and during the Time for making ſuch Quarantine, no Perſon coming, or Goods imported in any ſuch Ship or Veſſel, ſhall come on Shore or be landed in any Place within this Kingdom.

That whatever Ship or Perſon ſhall receive any Men or Goods from on Board any Ship or Veſſel under Quarantine, ſhall be compelled to perform the like Quarantine.

That the Captains of every of His Majeſty's Ships of War, who ſhall meet any ſuch Ship or Veſſel coming to any of the Ports of this Kingdom, ſhall take due Care to prevent the landing any Goods, Seamen or Paſſengers from on board the ſame, until they ſhall be put under the Direction of the Officers of His Majeſty's Cuſtoms.

That the Commiſſioners and other Officers of His Majeſty's Cuſtoms, do uſe their utmoſt Diligence and Care that the Quarantine before directed be duly performed.

That the Commanders of His Majeſty's Ships of War; as likewiſe the Commanders of His Majeſty's Forts and Garriſons lying near the Sea Coaſt, be aiding and aſſiſting to the ſaid Officers of His Majeſty's Cuſtoms, in ſtopping all ſuch Ships as aforeſaid, and in bringing them to the Places appointed for Performance of their Quarantine, and in the due Performance thereof.

And the Lords Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury; the Commiſſioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of Great Britain; the Maſter General and the reſt of the Principal Officers of the Ordnance; and His Majeſty's Secretary at War, are to give the neceſſary Directions herein, as to them may reſpectively appertain.

Robert Hales.

St. James's May 4.

This Morning their Majeſties went to Hounſlow-Heath, where the Regiments of Dragoons of Lieutenant-General William Evans and Brigadier Charles Churchill paſſed in Review before His Majeſty, and made a very fine Appearance. In the Afternoon their Majeſties returned hither.

Vienna, May 2, *N. S.* On the 26th paſt the Lord Waldegrave, his Britannick Majeſty's Miniſter Plenipotentiary, arrived here. On the 29th his Lordſhip had Audience of his Imperial Majeſty at Laxembourg. Yeſterday the Ratifications of the Preliminary Articles were exchanged reciprocally by the Miniſters Plenipotentiary of the ſeveral Powers. This Afternoon the Lord Waldegrave had Audience of the Empreſs. The Emperour has appointed Count Philip Kinsky to go as his Miniſter to the Court of Great Britain.

Hague, May 11, *N. S.* We have Advice from Dreſden, that Field Marſhal Count Flemming died of an Apoplexy at Vienna the 30th of laſt Month. M. Hurgronje one of the Ambaſſadours Plenipotentiary of this Republick for the Congreſs appointed at Soiſſons, is come hither to prepare for his Journey: The other two Ambaſſadours, viz. M. Goſlinga and M. Hop, are expected here in a few Days, in order to their ſetting out together. M. Peſters, Miniſter of this State at Bruſſels,